



HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

Iron Eagle families and guardians,

What a week to be an Iron Eagle. Maricopa Institute of Technology (MIT) has been named to the U.S. News & World Report 2026–2027 Best High Schools rankings at #564 nationally — the top 4% of ranked public and charter high schools, up 156 spots from last year — and #17 in Arizona, scoring 96.86 out of 100. Of everything U.S. News measured, the one I hold closest is the success of underserved students. This recognition belongs to your students, our teachers, and you.

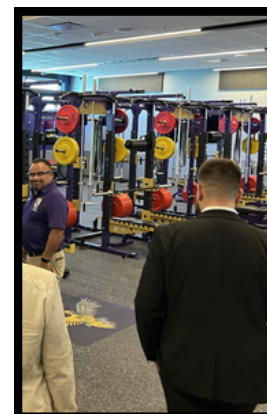
On Monday we cut the ribbon on Phases III and IV in the gymnasium. In classrooms, Grade 8 scientists designed original organisms to show how genotype shapes phenotype; social studies and electives benchmark assessments were underway; and our Grand Canyon University (GCU) Dual Enrollment courses are running on campus with rosters confirmed.

Student Council elections are complete, our 2026–27 clubs are posted on ParentSquare, and Episode 1 of Iron Eagle Watch debuted in classrooms.

Thank you for your continued support, and have a relaxing weekend.

Go Iron Eagles.

Mr. Gandhi, Headmaster



Class Representative Winners!

Congratulations to our newly elected 7th, 8th, and 9th Grade Class Representatives! Their peers chose these students to represent their classes and help make their voices heard throughout the school year. We're excited to see their leadership, ideas, and school spirit in action.

7th Grade Class Representative: Jaden Cho

8th Grade Class Representative: Lizandro Muniz

9th Grade Class Representative: Giovanni Fuentes

9th Grade Class Representative: Bella Hobeiche

Congratulations to all of our winners—we can't wait to see what you accomplish this year!



MIT Student Council presents - First Spirit Week

SPIRIT WEEK



MARICOPA INSTITUTE
OF TECHNOLOGY
IRON EAGLES



MONDAY AUGUST 24TH	 MEME DAY	Dress up as your favorite meme, internet character, or bring the funniest vibes!
TUESDAY AUGUST 25TH	 TWIN DAY	Find a friend and dress alike from head to toe!
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 26TH	 JERSEY DAY	Rep your favorite team by wearing your jersey!
THURSDAY AUGUST 27TH	 BBQ DADS VS. SOCCER MOMS	Choose your side and dress the part! Will you be a BBQ Dad or a Soccer Mom?
FRIDAY AUGUST 28TH	 PEP RALLY	Show your class color at the Pep Rally and bring the energy!  SENIORS (BLUE)  JUNIORS (GREEN)  SOPHOMORES (PINK)  FRESHMEN (RED)  8TH GRADE (ORANGE)  7TH GRADE (YELLOW)

ALL SPIRIT DAY OUTFITS MUST FOLLOW THE DRESS CODE EXPECTATIONS IN THE STUDENT HANDBOOK

Classroom Spotlight: Decoding Inheritance Patterns

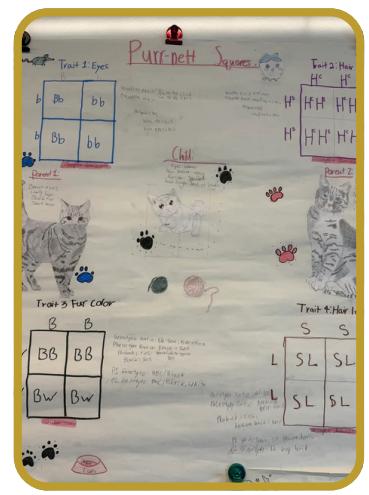
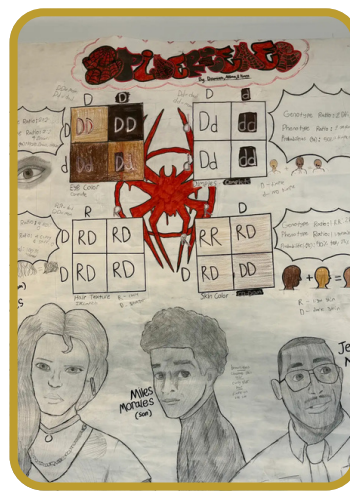
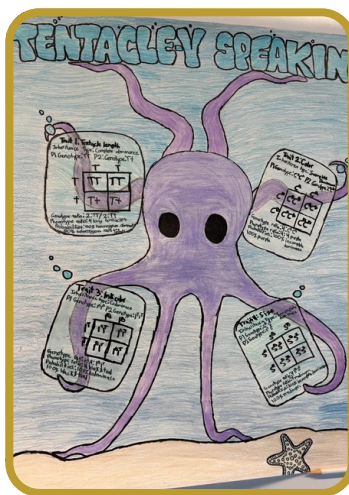
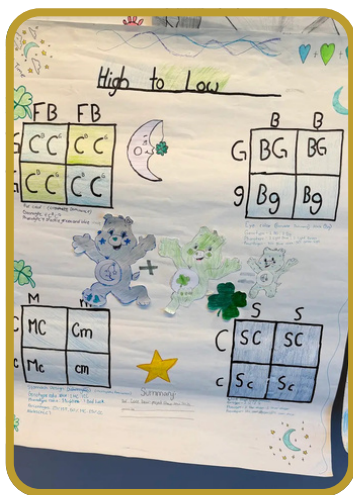
Our Grade 8 Science students recently put their genetics knowledge into action with an engaging project, “Decoding Inheritance Patterns.”

Students explored how traits are passed from parents to offspring using Punnett squares and three inheritance patterns: complete dominance, incomplete dominance, and codominance. They selected traits, determined possible genotypes and phenotypes, calculated probabilities, and then brought their genetic creations to life through colorful and creative designs.

From tentacle length and eye color to fur patterns and other unique characteristics, students demonstrated how genetic information can influence an organism’s appearance. Their projects combined science, mathematics, creativity, and communication while showing their understanding of heredity and probability.

A special shout out to our Grade 8 students for turning genetics into something creative, visual, and fun!

Proud of the scientific thinking, mathematical reasoning, and creativity on display!



KR Volleyball Kicks Off at MIT

MIT was excited to host our first home girls volleyball game, welcoming Kings Ridge (KR) as they took on AMS! The KR team made the occasion even more memorable by earning a victory in their first game!

This is just the first of many events we look forward to hosting at MIT. We're excited to put our facility to use, bring our school communities together, and create more opportunities for our students to compete, connect, and celebrate!



Let's Roll, MIT! School Spirit Night is Coming!

Join us at Great Skate for a fun night of skating while supporting MIT Football & Cheer! Bring your friends and family, show your school spirit, and enjoy a night out with the MIT community.

- Saturday, August 29, from 6:30–10:30 PM at Great Skate Glendale
 - 10054 N 43rd Ave, Glendale, AZ 85302
- Admission: \$12 | Skate Rental: \$6 | Non-Skating Parents: \$4

Come skate, support, and show your MIT spirit!

SCHOOL SPIRIT Night!

GREAT SKATE

SKATE. SUPPORT. SHOW YOUR SPIRIT!

LET'S ROLL TOGETHER AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

Maricopa Institute of Technology Football and Cheer

DATE & TIME
Sat., August 29, 2026 | 6:30pm - 10:30pm

PRICING INFORMATION
Admission: \$12.00 | Skate Rental: \$6.00
Non-Skating Parents: \$4.00

FILL OUT YOUR WAIVER

10054 N 43RD AVE, GLENDALE, AZ 85302 | 623-842-1181 | WWW.GREATSKATEGLENDALE.COM

College & Career Readiness Opportunity: Friendly House TRIO Program

We are excited to share an excellent opportunity for our middle and high school students! Friendly House's TRIO Program helps students prepare for college and future careers through free tutoring, college tours, career exploration, workshops, summer programs, financial aid assistance, and more.

Friendly House will be joining us on campus for our Tabling Event on Thursday, September 17, where students and families can learn more about the program and eligibility requirements. Applications are accepted year-round, so we encourage eligible students to take advantage of this great resource!

Program Eligibility

- First generation student
- Meet income eligibility guidelines
- Current middle school (6th-8th grade) or high school (9th-12th grade) student
- Be at least 11 years of age
- US Citizen or Permanent Resident of the US

TRIO Enrollment Application: <https://botform.com/pansol.com/Bot/FH-TRIO-TS-Enrollment-Application>



Free 24/7 Tutoring for Students!

We're excited to share UPchieve, a nonprofit organization offering FREE online tutoring and academic support 24/7 for eligible students in grades 6–12!

MIT students can easily create an account and connect with tutors whenever they need extra help. This is a great resource for students who may be struggling in a class, preparing for an assessment, or simply need a little extra support.

Link For Upchieve: [Free Tutors in Phoenix, Arizona](#)

We encourage our students to take advantage of this amazing opportunity!



Uniform Information

Please review with your student before Monday

At MIT, we require our students to wear uniforms. All students are required to have:

- a solid white button-up shirt with the MIT coat of arms and a tie/bow tie.
- Purple polos with the MIT coat of arms are only permitted on Fridays.
- Pants must be either black or khaki. No jeans!
- Students may only wear jackets or sweaters with the MIT coat of arms.

If you have any questions, please review our dress code policy in our student handbook found on our website.

UNIFORM VENDOR

You may purchase your student's uniform over the phone at

Rapido AZ (602) 689-9592

or visit 3334 W Wilshire Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85009, STE #42



Iron Eagles in uniform during lunch — white button-up shirts with the MIT coat of arms and ties.

Family Action Items

Everything on this page needs a response or a plan from you

1. **Check your student's uniform** against the requirements on page 6 and order from Rapido AZ if anything is missing. *Deadline: as soon as possible.*
2. **Talk with your student** about the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards if they write or make art.
Submissions are due December 1, 2026 — see Mr. Morganstern. *Deadline: December 1.*
3. **Read this newsletter every Friday.** It will be published at the end of every week for the entire school year. *Ongoing.*



Have a great weekend, Iron Eagles. We will see you Monday.



COMING SOON

More Sections Starting Next Week

Watch for these in future issues of the Iron Eagle Press

The Iron Eagle Press will grow as the year gets going. These regular sections begin soon — look for them in upcoming Friday issues.

Academics & Instruction

Classroom spotlights, department updates, Advanced Placement (AP) and dual-credit news, and what your student is learning in our STEM² courses.

Clubs & Student Council (STUCO)

Club sign-ups, Student Council elections, spirit weeks, and student-led events across campus.

Counseling & College/Career

Scholarship deadlines, college visits, testing information, and career pathway opportunities for our students.

